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## Klickitat County FSA Updates

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### CRP Signup Ends June 14

The Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) general signup ends June 14, 2013. Producers that are accepted in the sign-up can receive cost-share assistance to plant long-term, resource-conserving covers and receive an annual rental payment for the length of the contract. Rental rates are based on the relative productivity of the soils within each county and the average dryland cash rent or cash rent equivalent. No other income can be derived from the land while under contract.

For more information please call our office at 509-773-5822 ext 2.

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### Acreage Certification Time

After spring planting, producers should certify their 2013 acreage. Filing an accurate acreage report for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage and prevented planting acreage, can prevent the loss of benefits for a variety of programs.

Failed acreage must be reported within 15 days of the disaster event and before disposition of the crop. Prevented planting must be reported no later than 15 days after the final planting date.

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## DCP Signup

We are currently doing signup for the 2013 Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program (DCP). The deadline to take applications is **August 3, 2013**. Remember, you must sign an FSA-509 Contract each year in order to receive payment. There is no advance payment for 2013 and the annual direct payment will be paid in October. Producers are encouraged to make appointments allowing plenty of time before the signup deadline.

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## Deadline To submit production for NAP covered crops

Producers who obtain NAP coverage are required to annually report all production for NAP covered crops to

remain in compliance with NAP program requirements. Production can be provided to your local county office verbally or actual production evidence can be submitted.

For the 2012 crop year, NAP covered crop acres and production must be entered on form CCC-452 and you must sign this form no later than close of business on Monday July 15, 2013. Failure to timely report production will have a direct affect on future year approved yield calculations for your NAP covered crops.

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## 2012 ACRE Production Reporting Requirement

If your farm participated in the 2012 ACRE program you are reminded that as a condition of eligibility for payment, either the operator, owner, or producer with a share of the crop must submit production reports. Production reports are needed for all 2012 ACRE program commodities for which an acreage report greater than zero was submitted. The deadline for submitting production reports is July 15, 2013.

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## FSA Seeks Nominees for Klickitat County Committee

The Farm Service Agency is looking for candidates for the upcoming grower-elected county committee election. FSA is accepting nominations through August 1, 2013.

FSA county committees make decisions which impact program payments. They bring local knowledge of farming practices, prices and conditions to program implementation. Also, producers can appeal most agency determinations to the local county committee.

FSA encourages all interested agricultural producers, including women and minority growers, to seek nomination. Eligible candidates must participate or cooperate in any Farm Service Agency program and be of legal voting age. Even if you are not currently participating in FSA programs, you may be considered eligible under the cooperation criteria if you have farm records on file with FSA.

The Klickitat County Committee draws its members from local administrative areas. Nominated by local farmers and ranchers, candidates must live in the local administrative area they will represent and must be eligible to vote in the county election. Members serve on staggered three-year terms so that one-third of the seats are up for re-election each year.

This year's election takes place in LAA 3, which is located on the west side of Klickitat County. The west boundary is the county line. The east boundary begins at the Columbia River, go north on the range line dividing Range 13 & 14 until it intersects with highway 142. Follow highway 142 until you reach section line two miles east of line dividing Range 14 & 15, follow section line north to the Yakima Indian Reservation, then follow the Reservation boundary in a general NW direction until the county line is reached. The south boundary is the Columbia River and the north boundary is the county line. A map of FSA county committee election areas can be found on the agency's website <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/wa>.

Elected county committee members receive an hourly wage for their attendance and representation at county committee meetings. Elections will take place in the fall and newly elected committee members begin their terms January 1, 2014. FSA will mail ballots to all eligible voters. Anyone not receiving a ballot by Nov. 4 can contact the office to request one. Additional information and nomination forms may be requested from the FSA office. Nomination forms may also be obtained online at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/wa>

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## Historical Aerial Photographs Available

The USDA's Aerial Photography Field Office is making available high quality aerial photographs. The field office lab can print photos on site from more than 70,000 rolls of film acquired over the years of acquiring aerial

photographs to support federal farm programs.

Historical photographs can play a role in property boundary disputes, determining past land use or environmental assessments.

The Aerial Photography Field Office is home to one of the country's largest aerial film libraries. The imagery dates from 1955 to the present. The imagery is available to the general public for a minimal cost. The lab can provide black and white, color infrared or natural color prints depending on the original film type. Enlargements up to 38" x 38" are available. Photo scans for use on a computer can also be ordered.

To order aerial photography, contact the Aerial Photography Field Office and be prepared to provide an accurate description of the area you wish to be included in your photo. This can be a legal description, latitude and longitude, or a local map.

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